



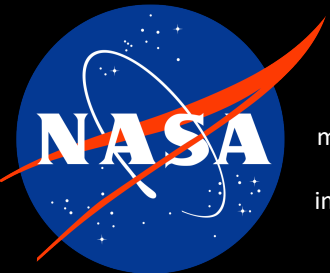
Using effective density spectrum to constrain crustal density profile of Vesta and Ceres

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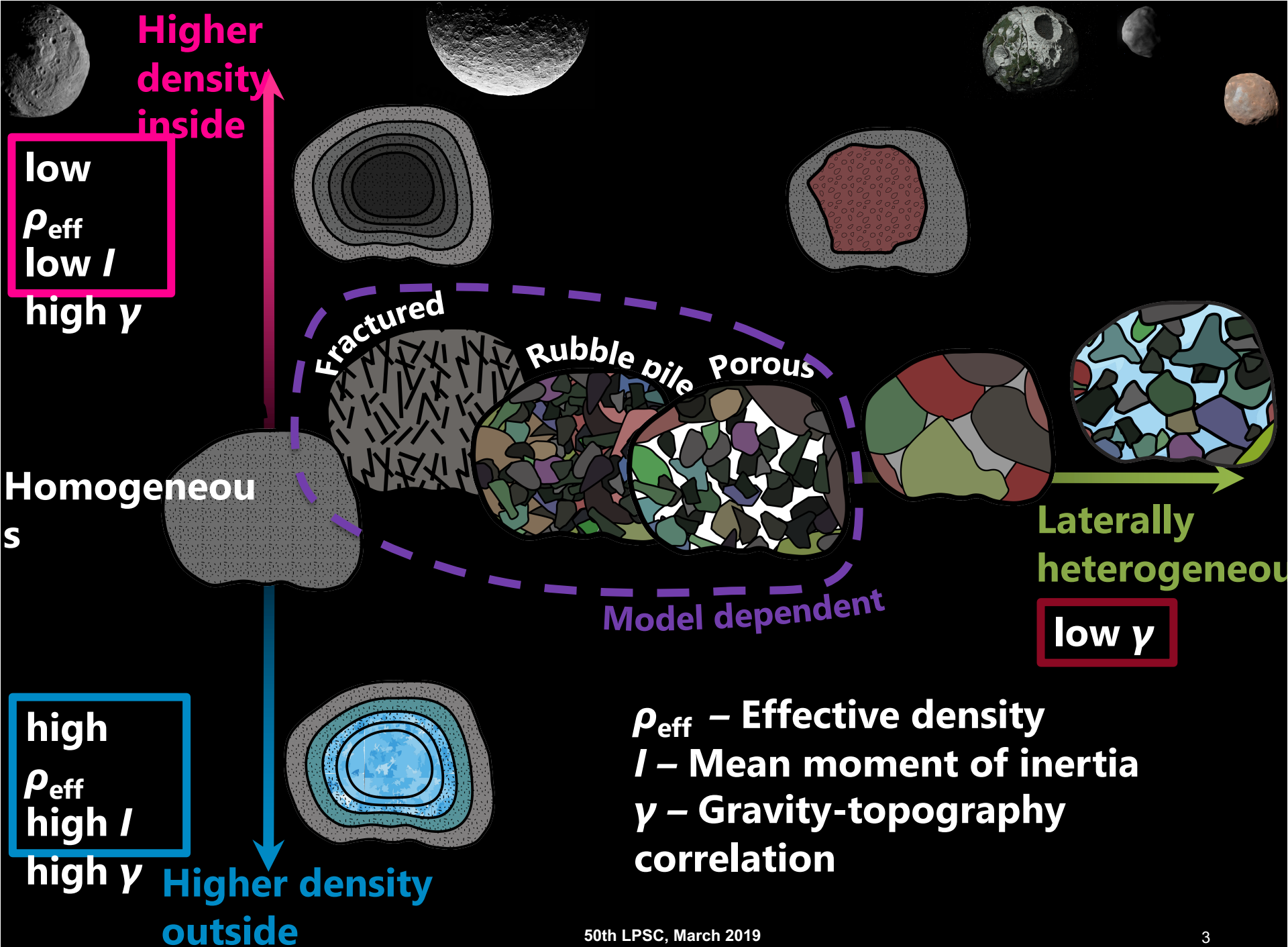
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Outline

- **Gravity and topography in spherical harmonics**
- **Derivation of effective density spectrum**
- **Effective spectrum of Vesta**
- **Why I thought it would work for Ceres**
- **and why it does not.**



Spherical Harmonics

➤ Shape

$$r(\phi, \lambda) = R_0 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-n}^n A_{nm} Y_{nm}(\phi, \lambda)$$

➤ Gravitational potential

$$U(r, \phi, \lambda) = \frac{GM}{r} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-n}^n \left(\frac{R_0}{r} \right)^n C_{nm} Y_{nm}(\phi, \lambda)$$

U – gravitational potential

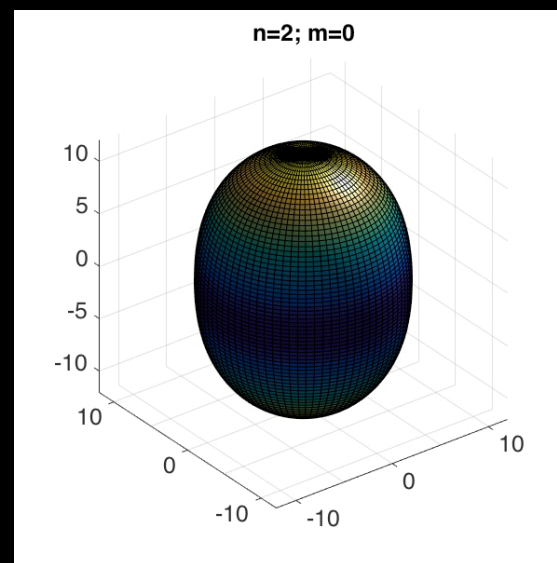
ϕ – latitude

λ – longitude

r – radial distance

n – degree

m – order



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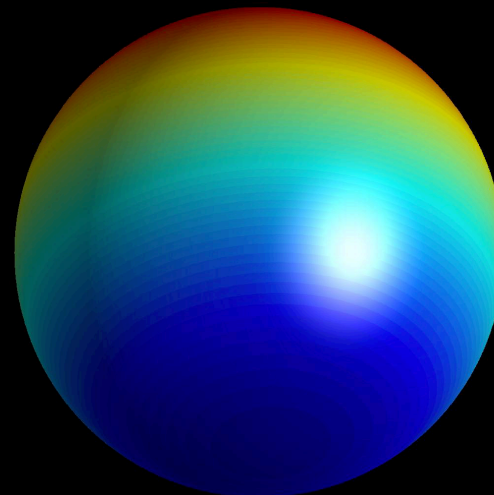
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➤ RMS spectrum

$$M_n^{gg} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{m=-n}^n C_{nm}^2}{2n+1}}$$

$$M_n^{tt} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{m=-n}^n A_{nm}^2}{2n+1}}$$

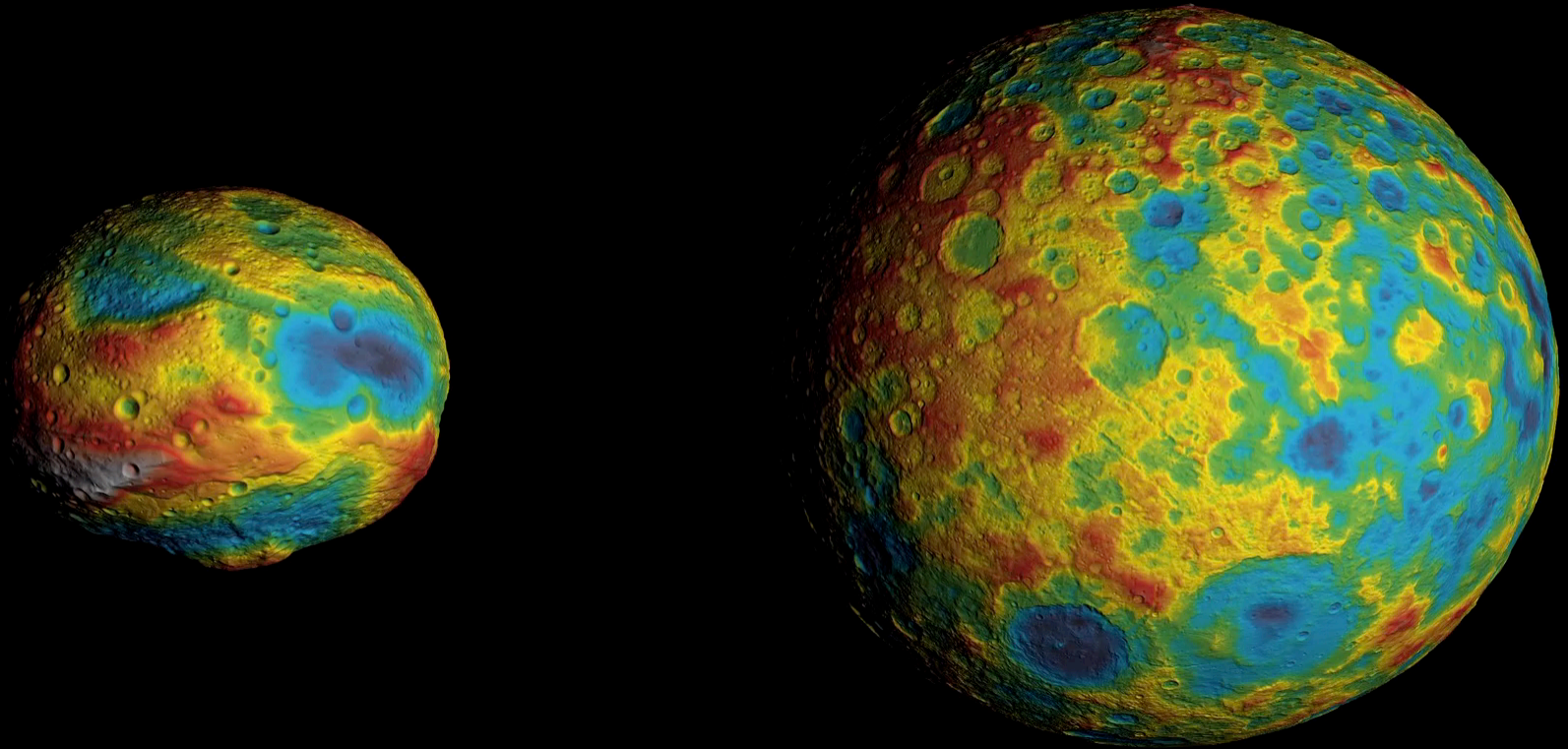




Dawn geophysical data

- **Shape model**
 - **Stereophotogrammetry (SPG) from DLR**
 - **Stereophotoclinometry (SPC) from JPL**
 - **Mutually consistent with the accuracy much better than the spatial resolution of gravity field**
- **Gravity field**
 - **Accurate up to $n = 18$ ($\lambda=93$ km) for Vesta (Konopliv et al., 2014)**
 - **Globally accurate up to $n = 18$ ($\lambda=174$ km) for Ceres (Konopliv et al., 2017)**
 - **Locally accurate up to $n = 59$ ($\lambda=50$ km) (Park et al., in preparation)**

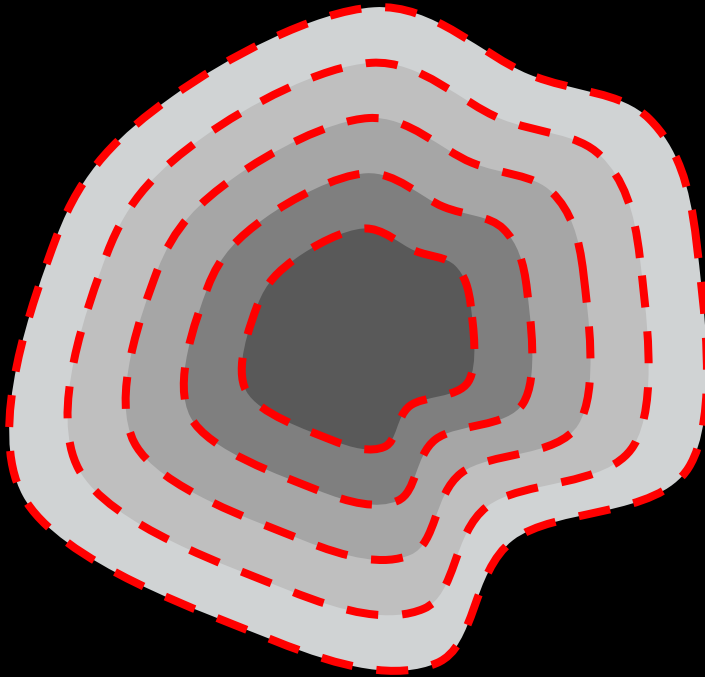
Vesta and Ceres



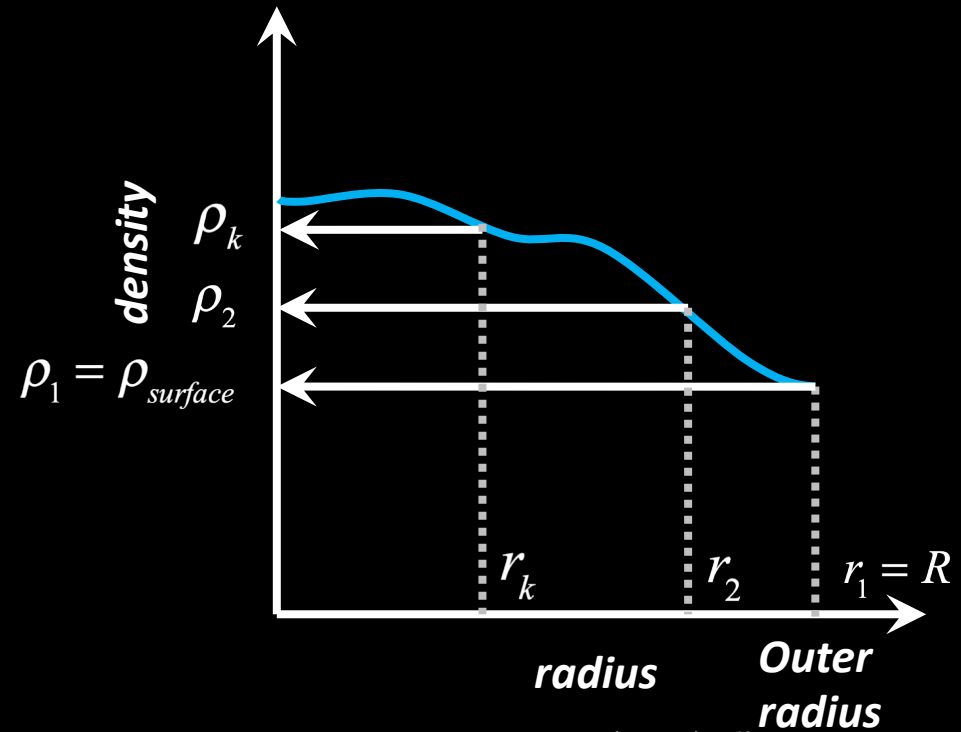
Effective density

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Gravity spherical harmonic coefficients
referenced to the volumetric radius of a layer



Contribution of k -th
layer to total gravity:



$$\sigma_{nm}^{const} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_k^3 (\rho_k - \rho_{k-1})}_{\text{Fractional mass of a layer}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{M} \cdot \left(\frac{r_k}{R}\right)^n}_{\text{Upward continuation factor}}$$

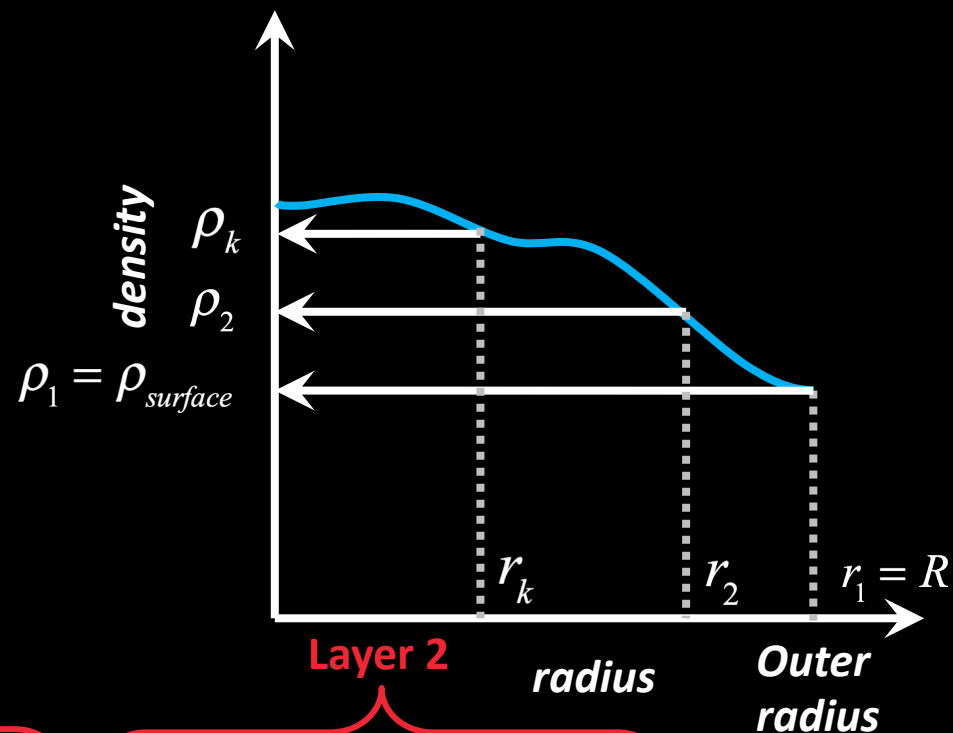
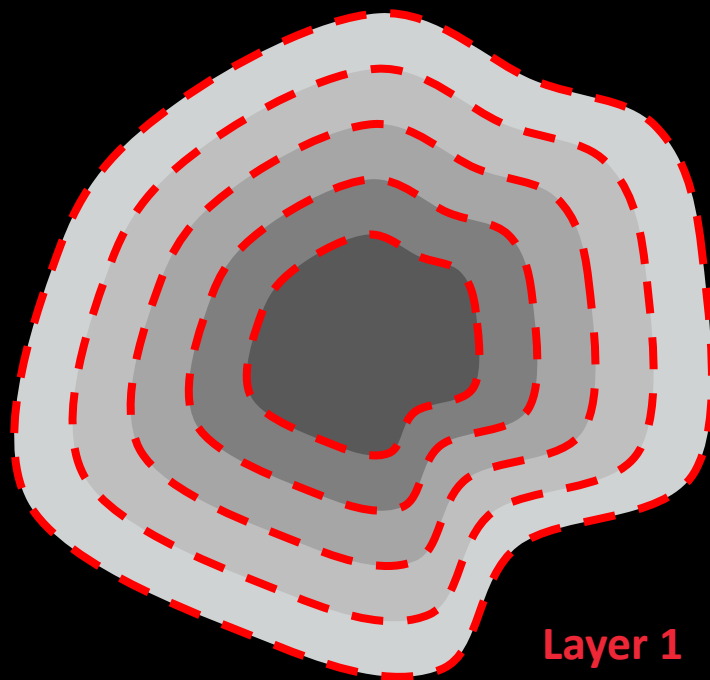
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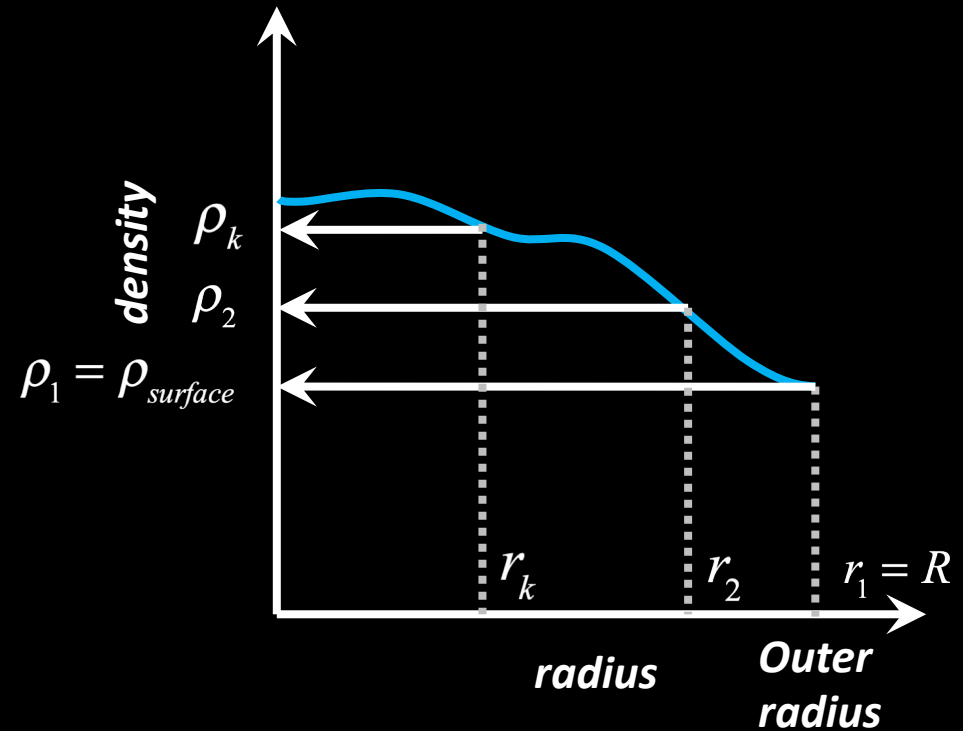
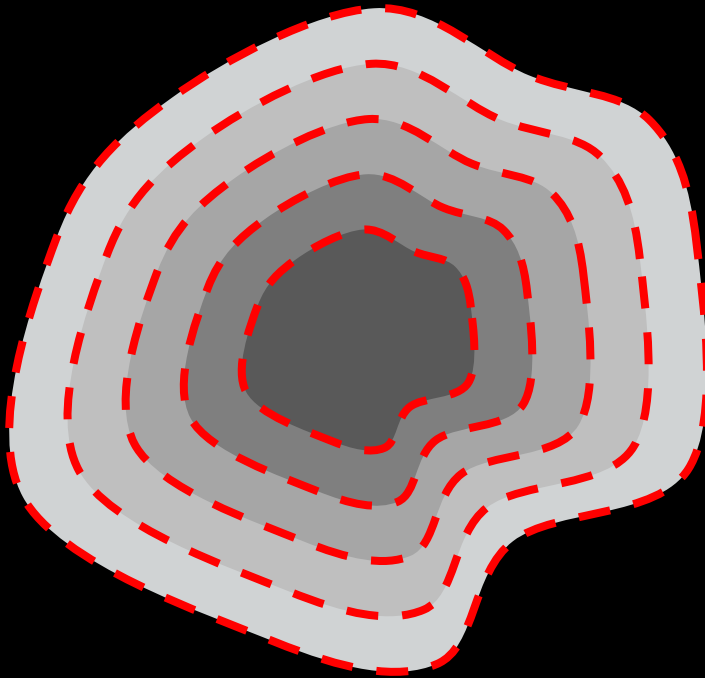
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Def: effective density

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \frac{\sigma_{nm}}{\sigma_{nm}^{const}} \bar{\rho}$$



$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \rho_{surface} + \frac{\sigma_{nm}^{const}}{\bar{\rho} R^{n+3}} \int_{R^-}^0 \int_{R^+}^0 r^{n+3} \frac{d\rho(r)}{dr} dr$$

Simple density profiles

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \rho_{\text{surface}} + \frac{1}{R^{n+3}} \int_{R^-}^0 r^{n+3} \frac{d\rho(r)}{dr} dr$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \rho_{\text{upper}} + \left(\frac{r_{\text{lower}}}{r_{\text{upper}}} \right)^{n+3} (\rho_{\text{upper}} - \rho_{\text{lower}})$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \frac{n\rho_{\text{surface}} + 4\bar{\rho}}{n+4}$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \frac{4n\bar{\rho} + 12\bar{\rho} - n\rho_{\text{center}}}{3(n+4)}$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \rho_{\text{surface}} + (-1)^n \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^{n+3} \Delta\rho e^{-R/d} [\Gamma(n+4) - \Gamma(n+4, -R/d)]$$



Curious properties of effective density

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \rho_{surface} + \frac{1}{R^{n+3}} \int_{R^-}^0 r^{n+3} \frac{d\rho(r)}{dr} dr$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_0 = \bar{\rho}$$

$$\tilde{\rho}_\infty = \rho_{surface}$$



Spatio-spectral concentration

$$\lambda = \frac{\|g\|_R^2}{\|g\|_\Omega^2} = \frac{\int_R g^2 d\Omega}{\int_\Omega g^2 d\Omega} = \max$$

Spatial localization

$$\lambda = \frac{\|g\|_L^2}{\|g\|_\infty^2} = \frac{\sum_{l=0}^L \sum_{m=-l}^l h_{lm}^2}{\sum_{l=0}^\infty \sum_{m=-l}^l h_{lm}^2} = \max$$

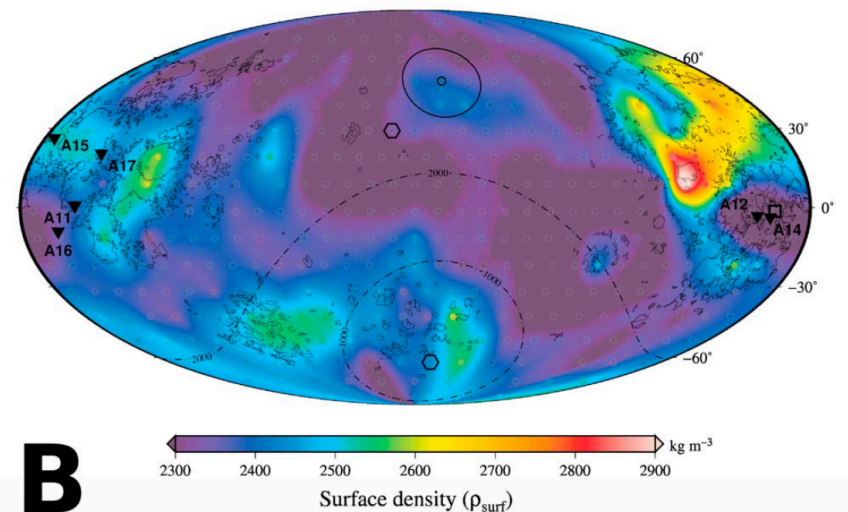
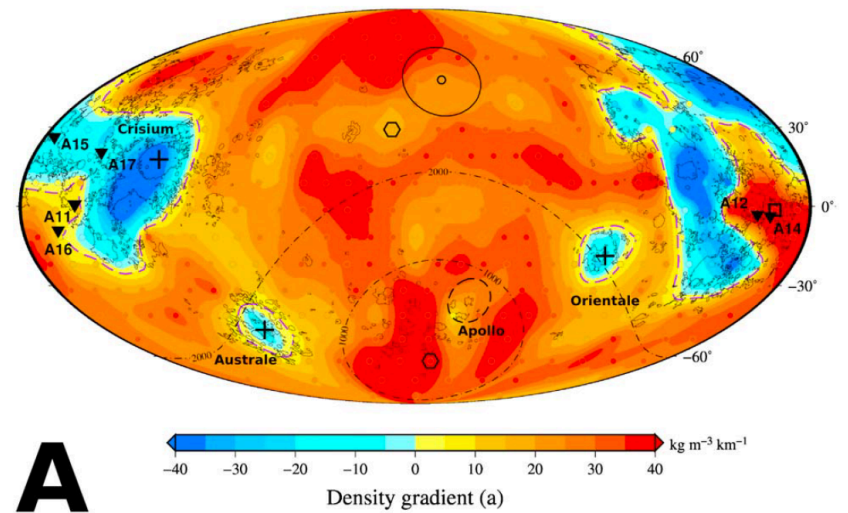
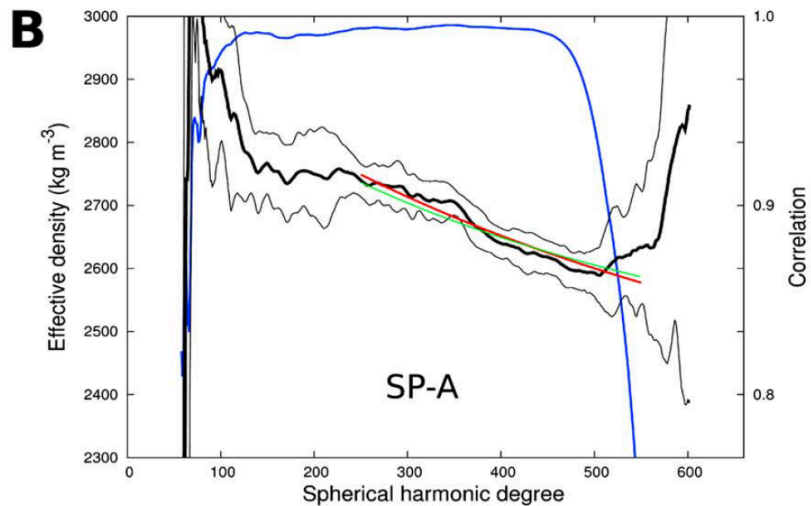
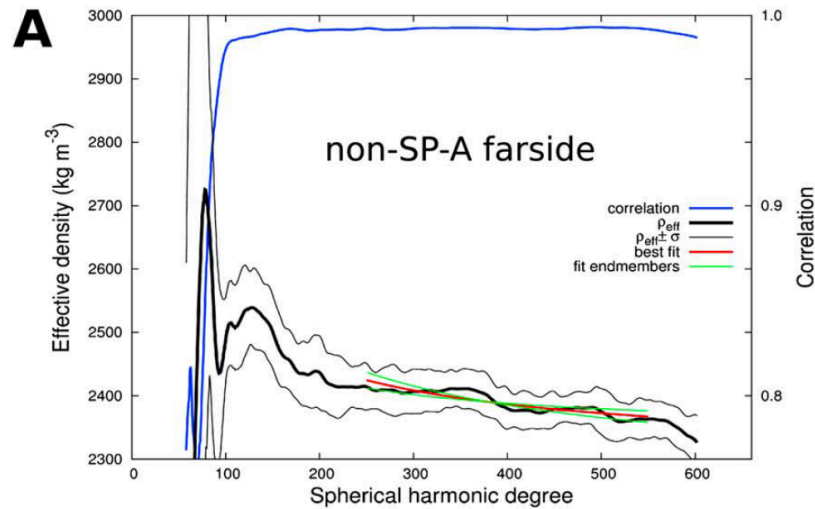
Spectral localization

R – region of localization

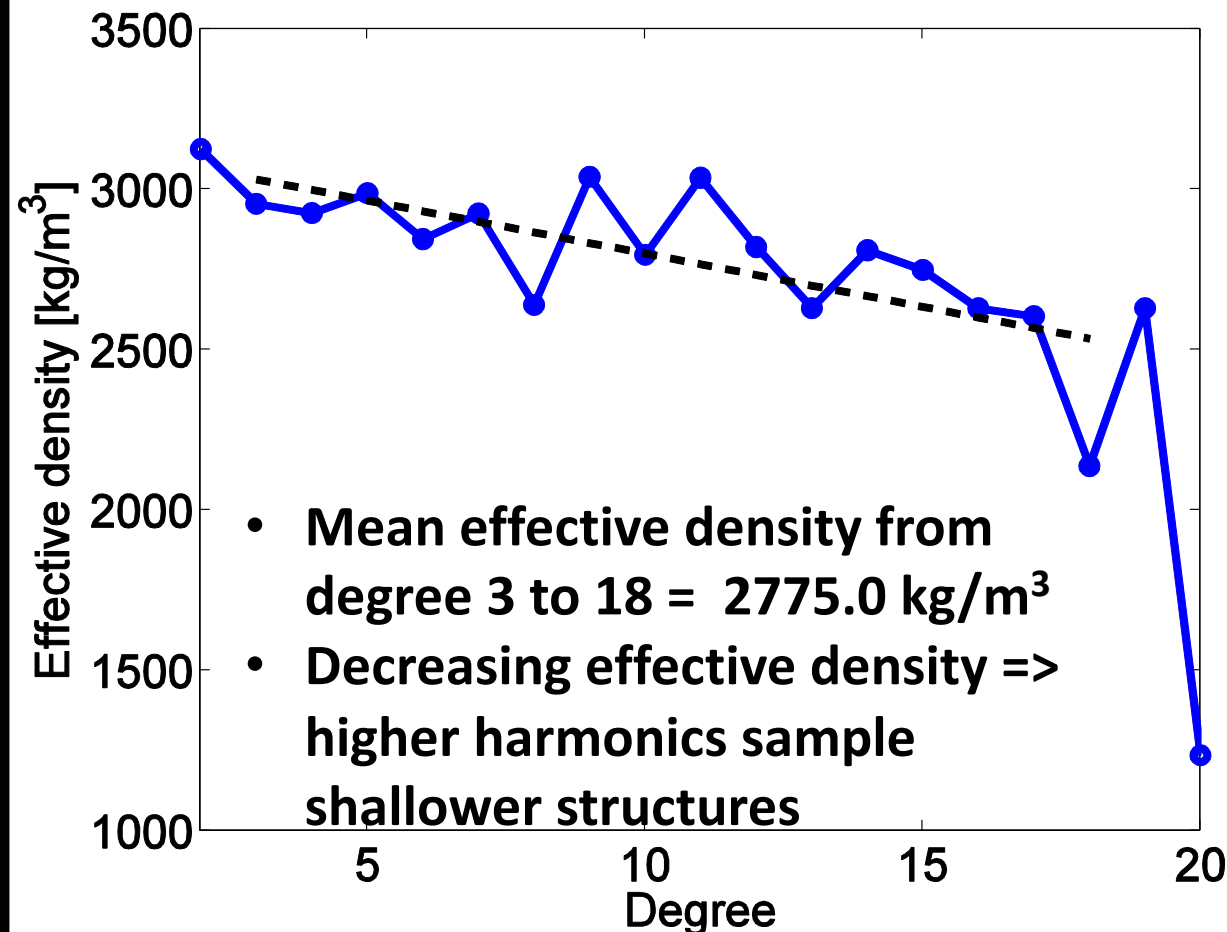
λ – eigenvalue = concentration factor

- **Simons et al., 2006 presents a way to find the eigenfunctions and shows that they are identical**
- **Allows localized estimates of crustal density**

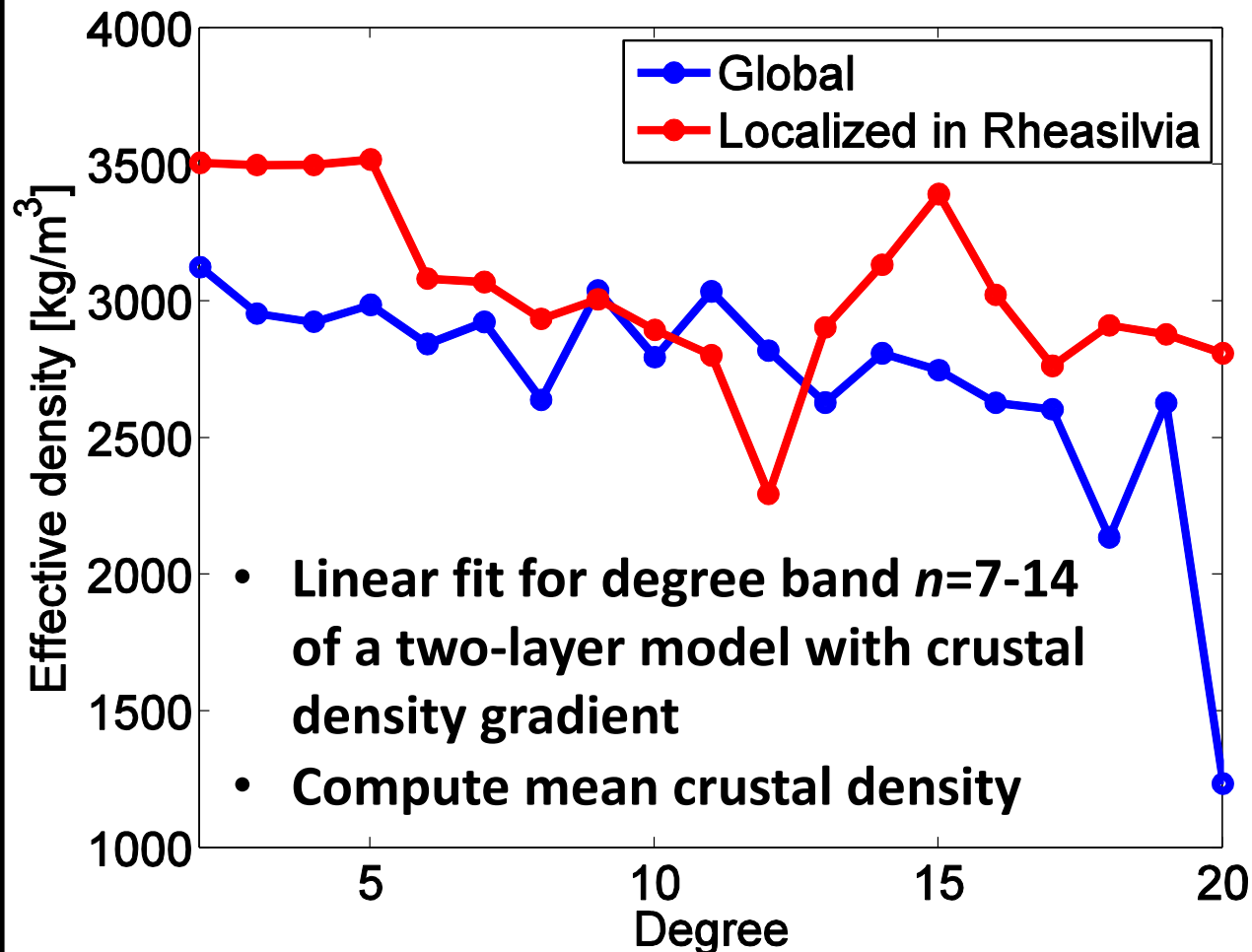
Effective density with GRAIL



Vesta global effective density

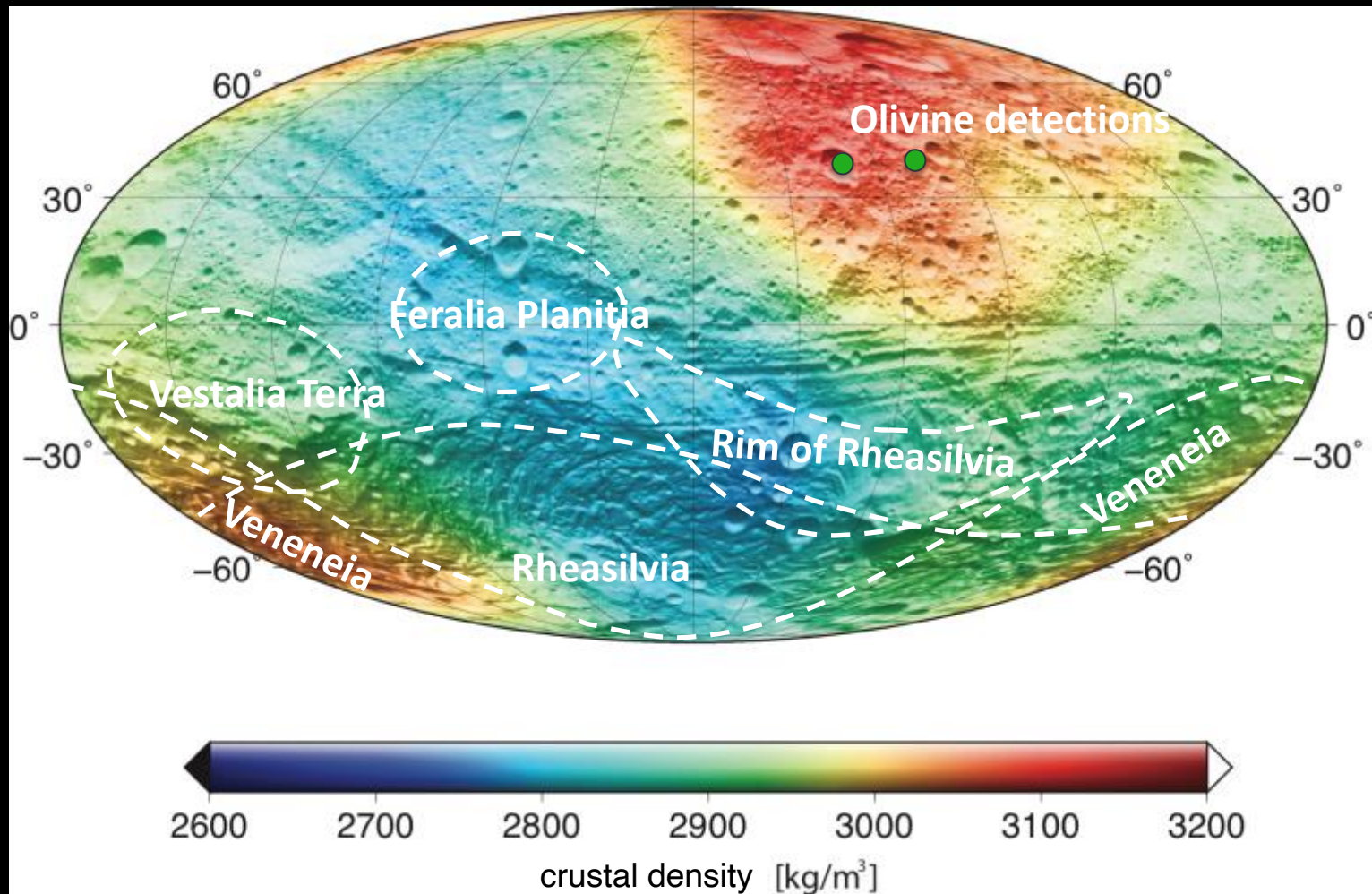


Effective density linear fit



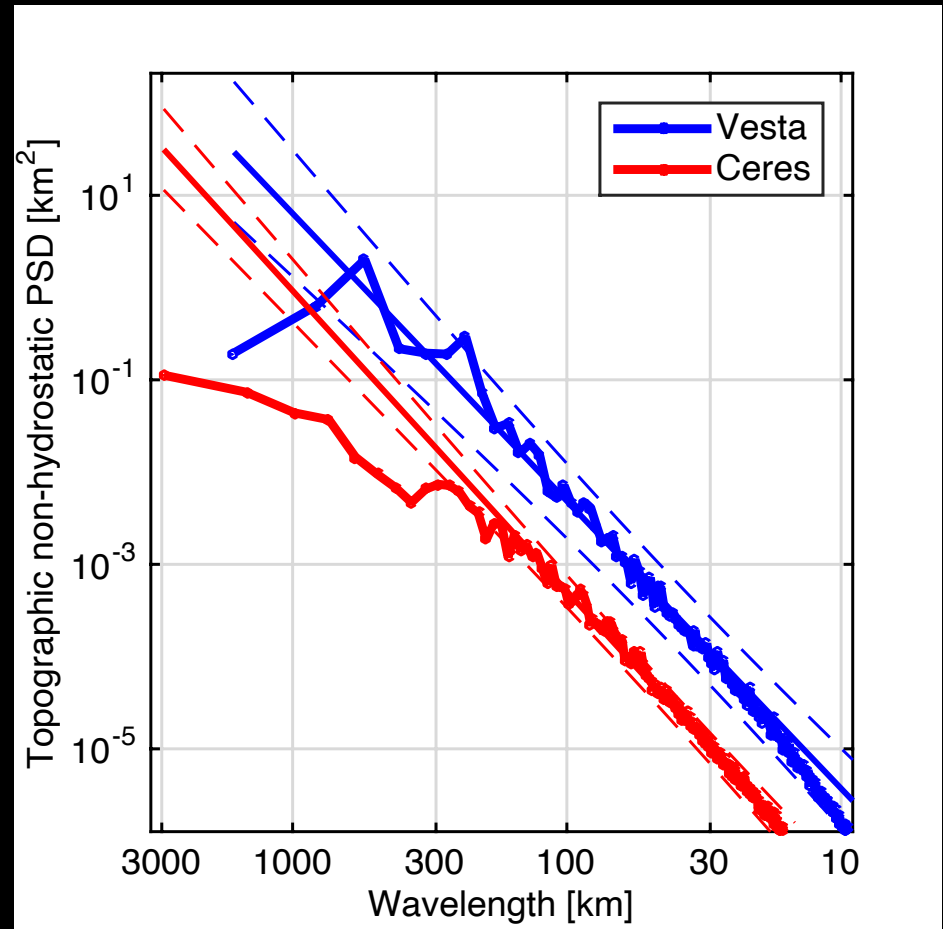
Interpolated crustal density

Bandwidth $L = 5$, window = 50° spherical cap



Evidence for viscous relaxation

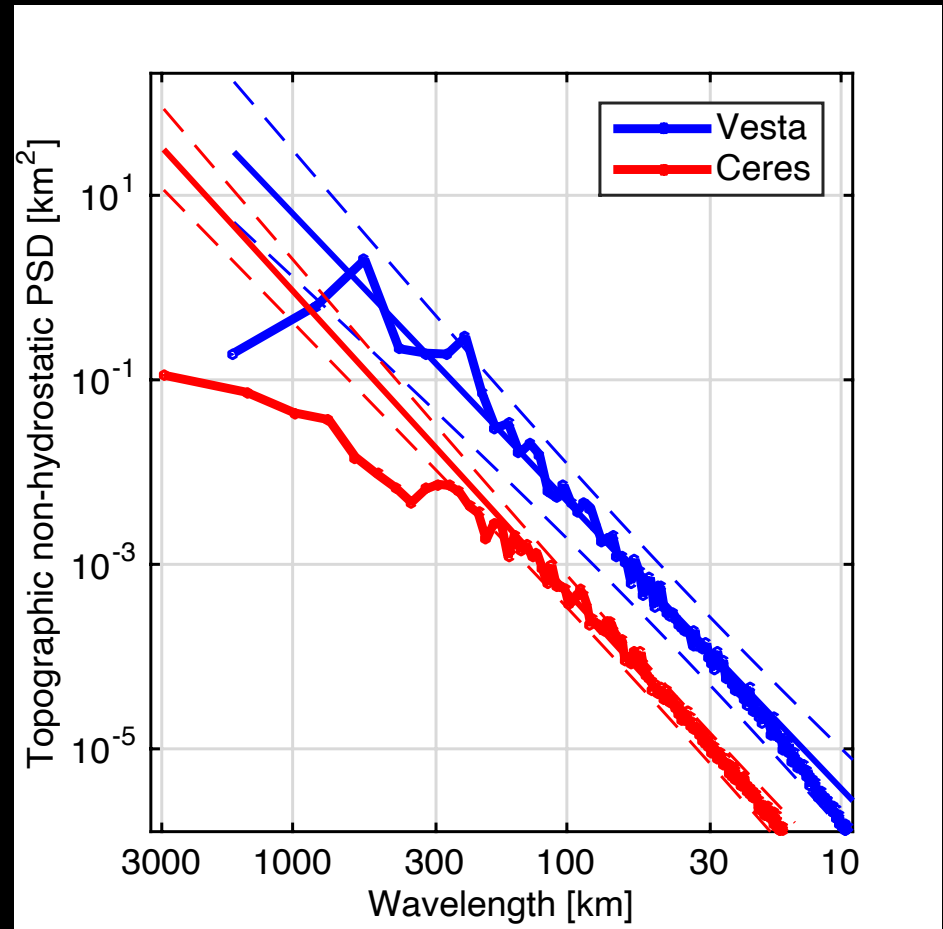
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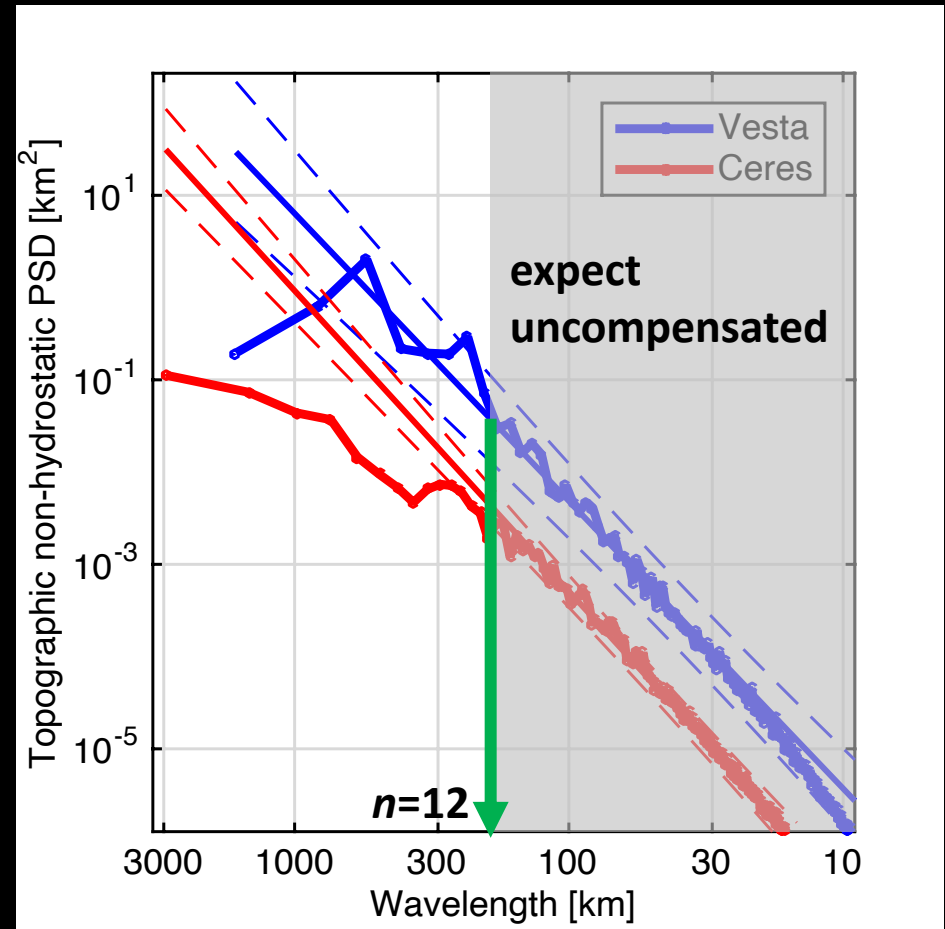
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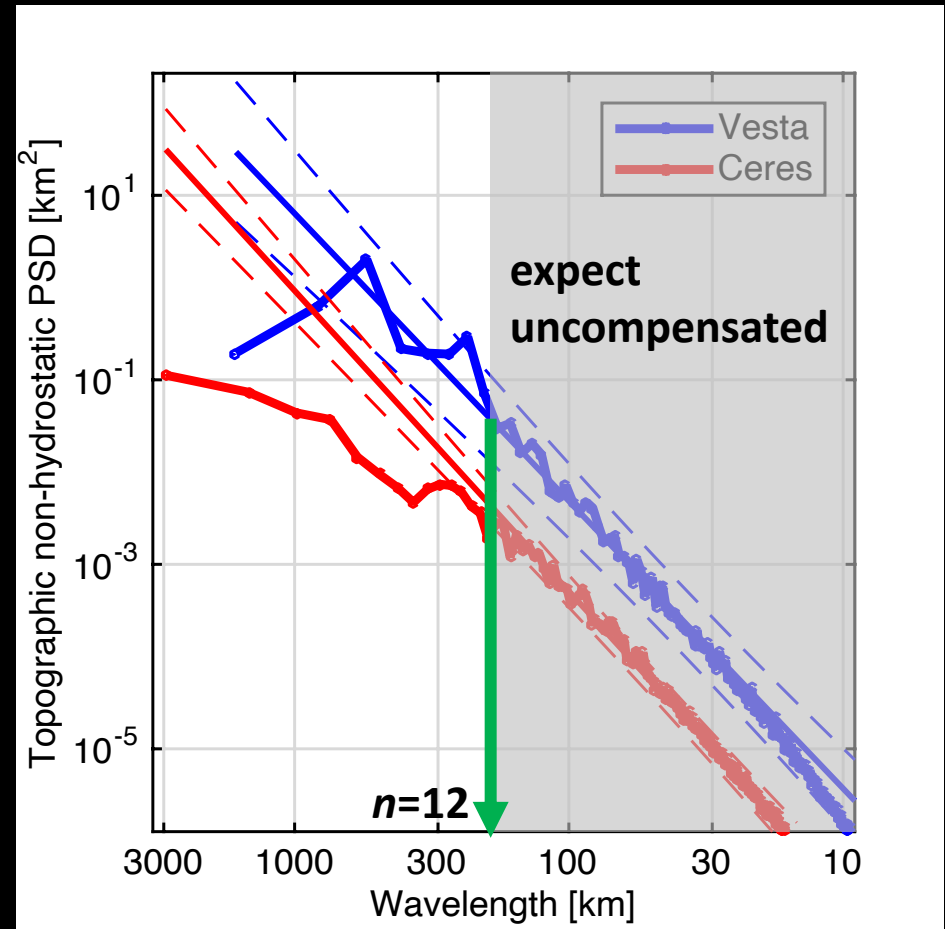
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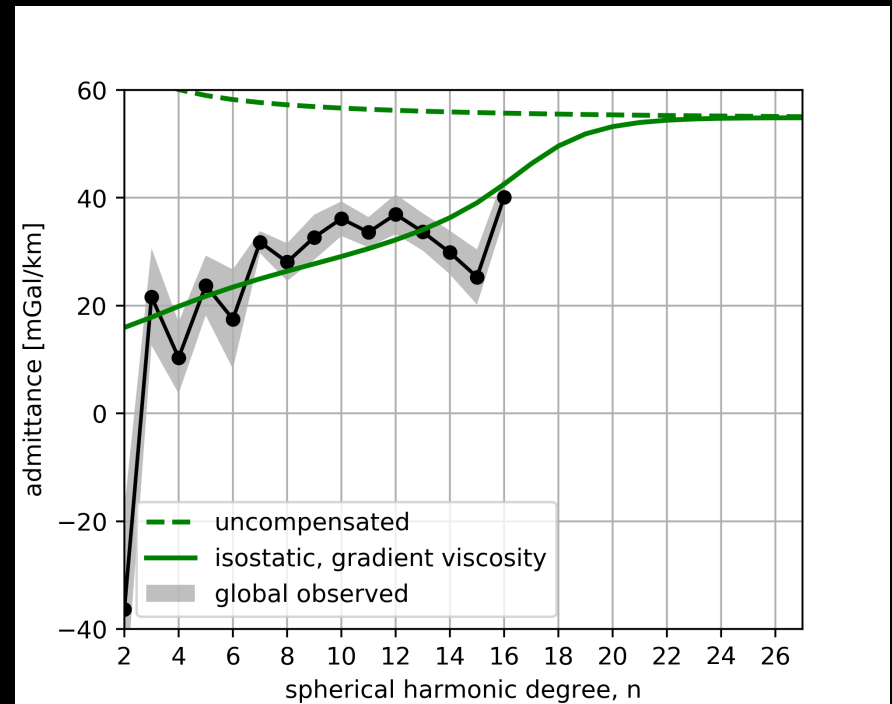
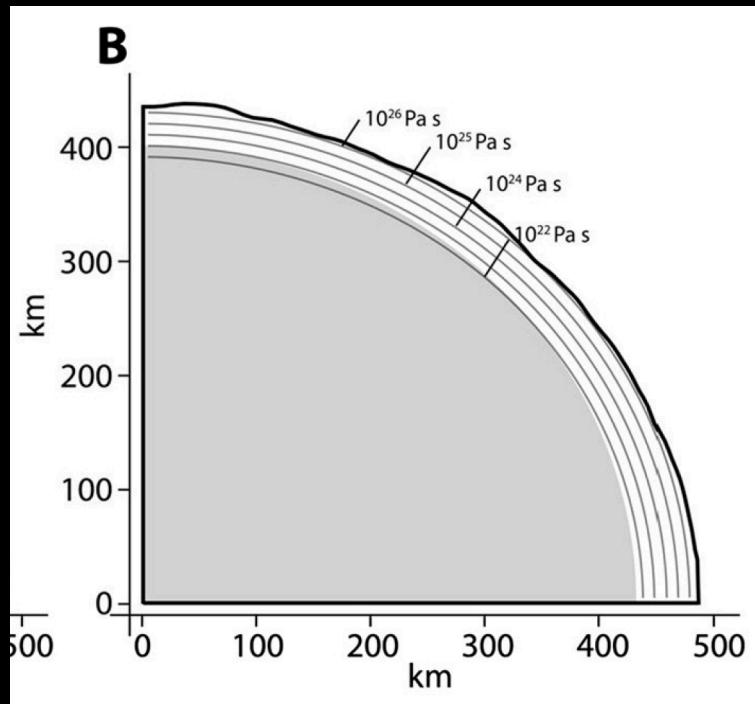
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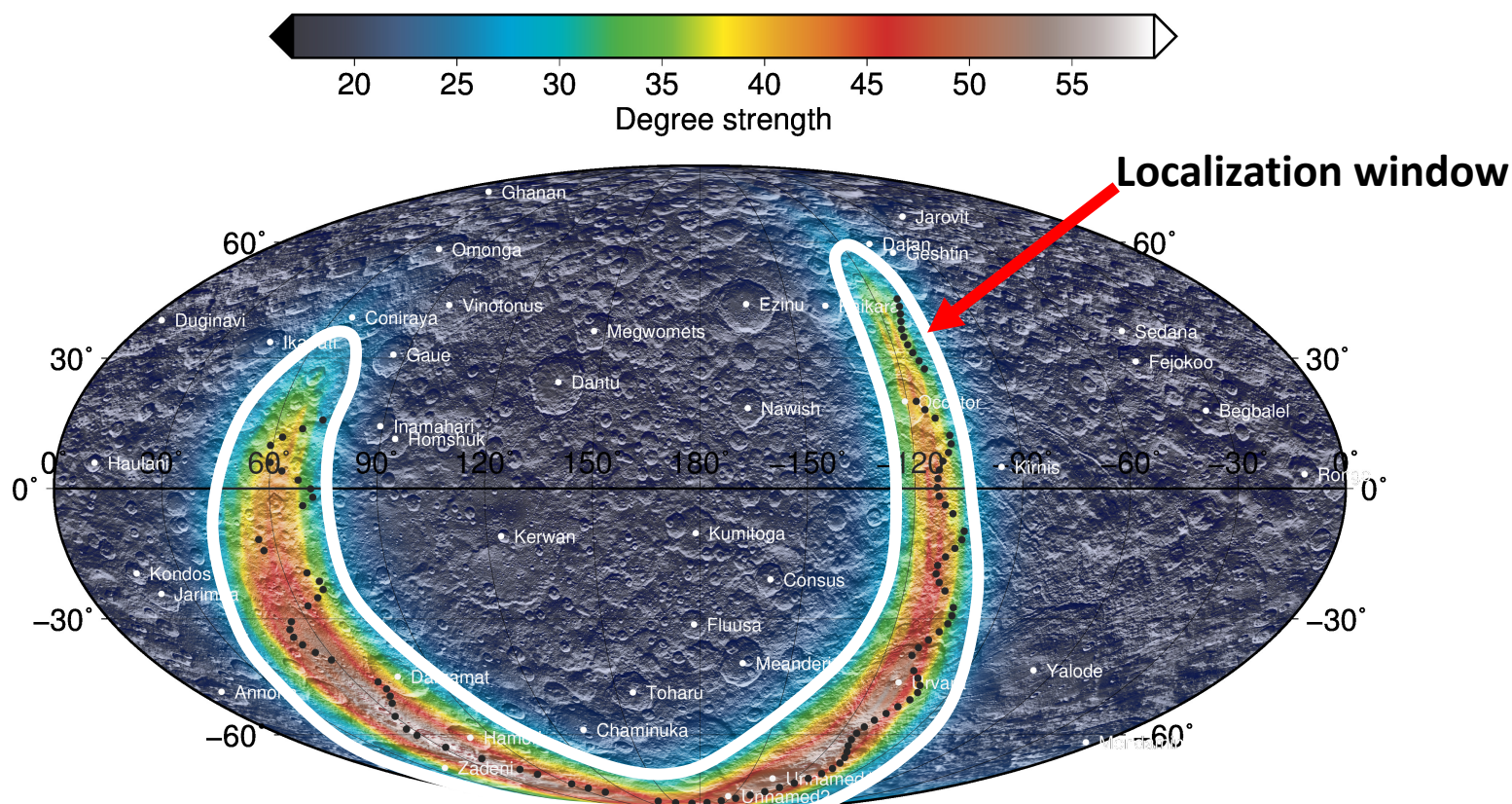
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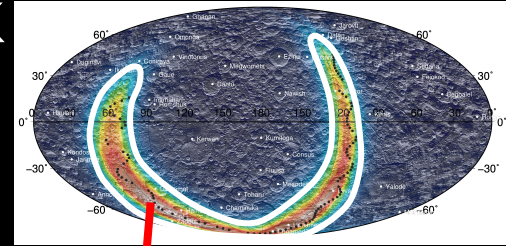
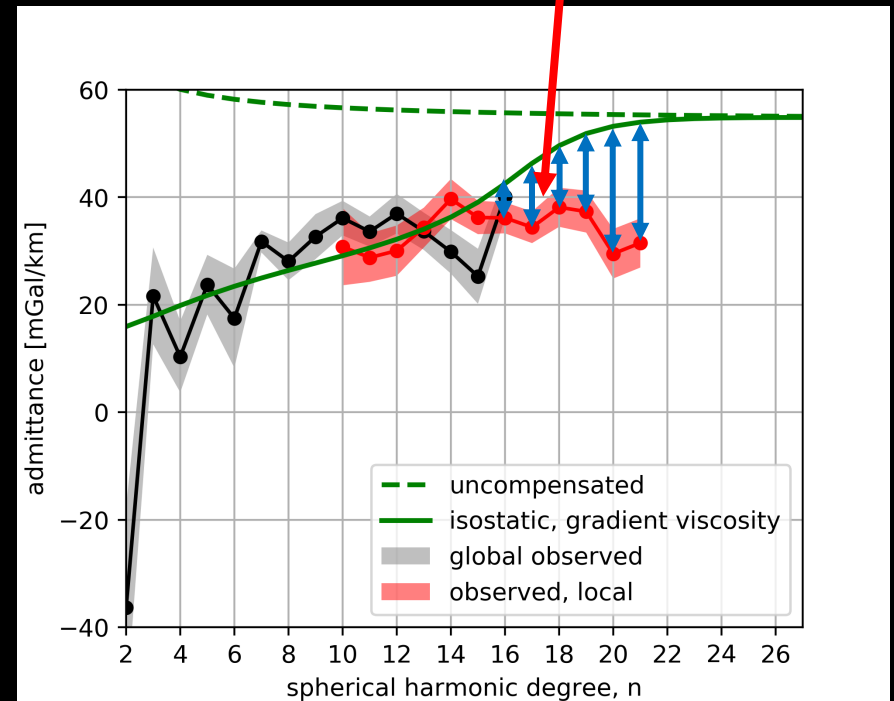
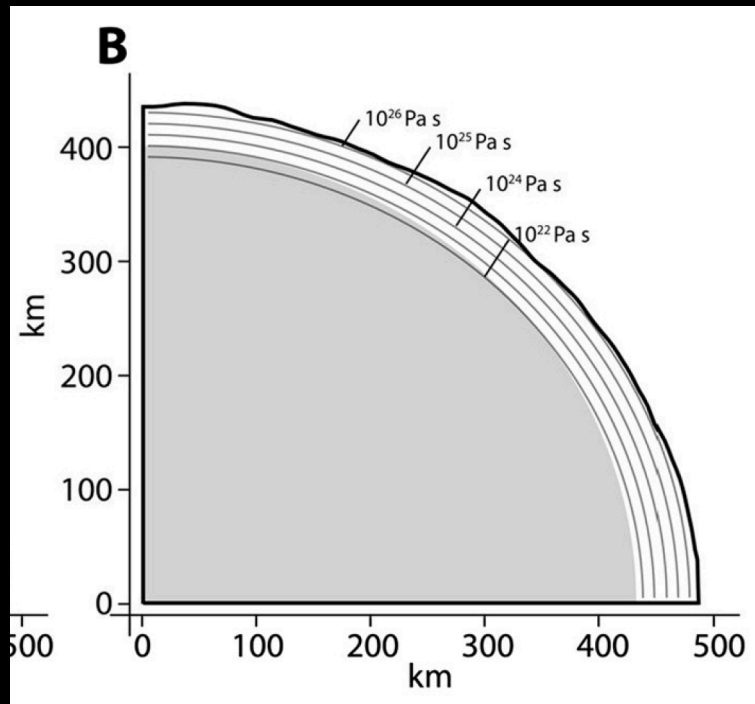


Degree strength from Dawn's second extended mission



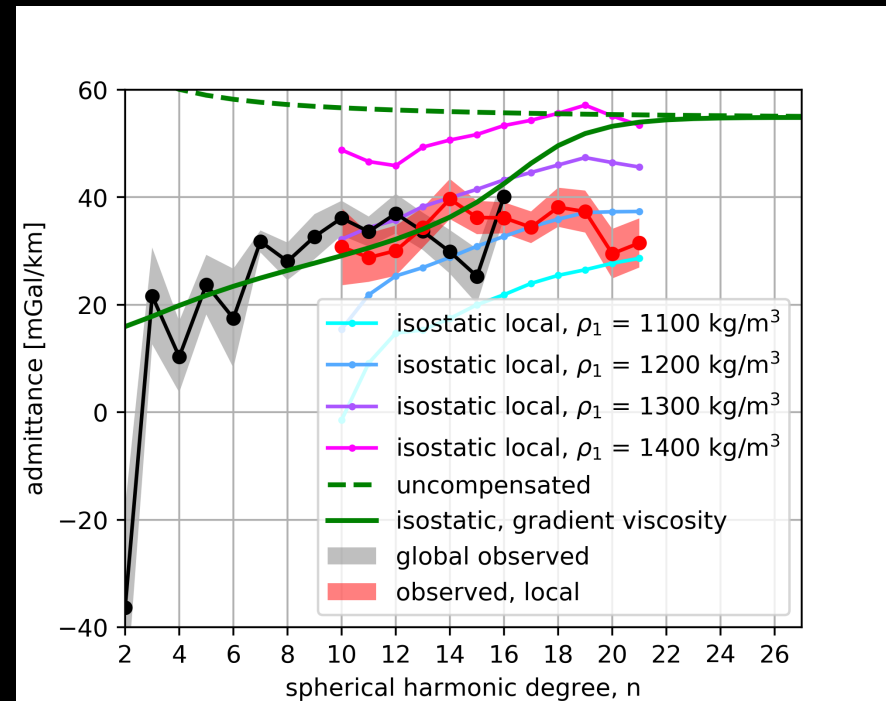
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Admittance localized at high degree strength region

- Localized admittance is consistent with isostatic compensation up to $n = 21$
- The mean crustal density is found to be 1233^{+45}_{-36} kg/m³ from the Dawn XM2 data.
- Possible signature of vertical density gradient at high degrees



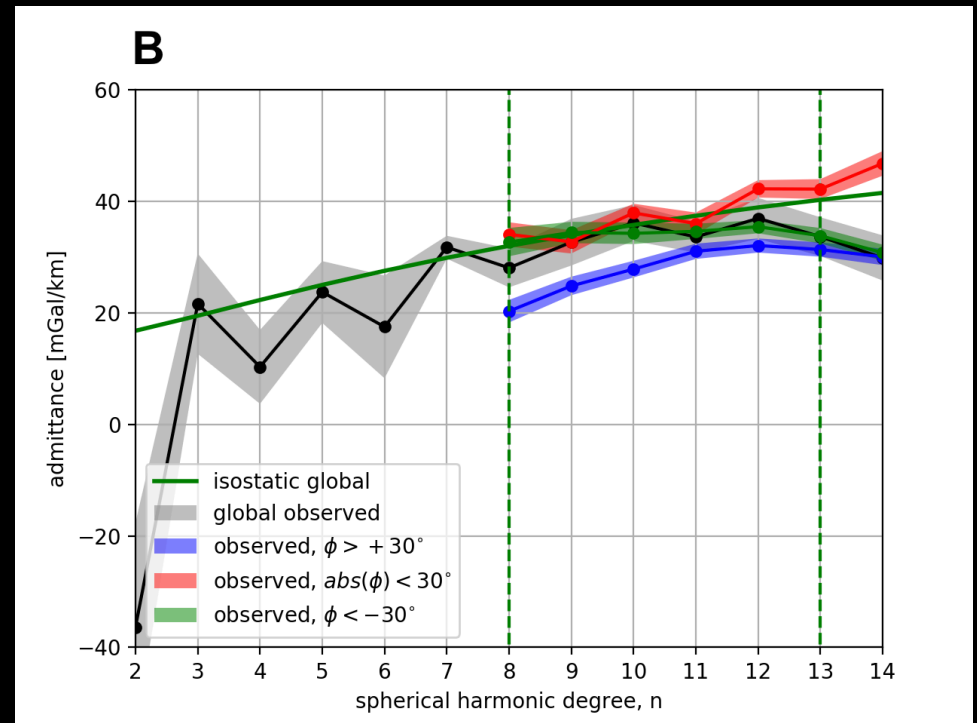


Summary

- **Vesta uncompensated topography makes it possible to use effective density spectrum to constrain its density profile**
 - **Higher crustal density at the intersection of Rheasilvia and Veneneia basins -> the region of deepest impact excavation**
 - **Higher crustal density in the region of olivine detections**
- **Spectral-spatial localization of Ceres gravity and shape has not revealed the transition from compensated to uncompensated topography**
 - **This prevents using effective density spectrum for directly constraining crustal density of Ceres.**
 - **There remains a trade-off between compensation depth and crustal density.**
 - **Alternatively, a vertical density gradient in the crust of Ceres could be causing lower than uncompensated admittances**

Global heterogeneities on Ceres revealed by admittance

- Lower admittance near the poles, especially near the north pole





Eros

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Future Psyche and Bennu



Effective density example

$$\tilde{\rho}_n = \rho_{surface} + \frac{1}{R^{n+3}} \int_{R^-}^0 r^{n+3} \frac{d\rho(r)}{dr} dr$$

- **Assumptions:**
- **mean density**